Dear Dave, The "Unimpeachable" Commission 9/30/91

Slowly as I read these days I've not yet finished reading the excerpts on Krupp/McCloy but without completing these pages I've highlighted a remarkable story on that professional fixer for government. Brownwell massacre and I think Japanese, too.

It seems to me, if you have not already consdiered it, that you could and should have a chapter with the kind of title I suggest above, the quoted word coming from Katzenbach's memo to Moyers. You'd have little work to do because all you need is almost immediately available to you, published, needing use only.

On some, like Warren, you do not need much. If you can't locate without trouble his inability, as a DA, to solve the murder of his own father, there is his history on the wretched Japanese internment and the Eisenberg memo, plus what he wrote about that and a few other things, perhaps. You don't need much on some of them and can say you devote more attention to the lesser-known members. (Of whom I at this moment think of nothing relating to Cooper.)

On Dulles do you need more than his combining with those still in the CIA to report to them so they could prepare to answer or avoid answering and his telling them to volunteer nothing? And what he says about destroying the record of their fears, etc., in that 1/21 transcript? If you do, his blackmailing of JFK over the Bay of Pigs, in Haynes Johnson's book of that title. (He was responsible for that fiasco, too.)

Ford, the stool-pidgeon who perjured himself in his confirmation hearing, in my book along with his editing of the 1/27 transcript he stole and got paid for using, which he denied. (I think of nothing on Boggs at this moment but you do not need all)

I'd build to this Manchester stuff on McCloy and you could restrict yourself almost entirely to direct quotes, of how he freed convicted war criminals, Krupp being one of the worst.

You could title it "About those 'Unimpeachable' Commissioners."

On Russell pick up what he told me, about his fooling LBJ and doing little on the Commission and leading the fight against civil-rights legislation.

Off the top of the head.

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